IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michaelson et al.

Group/Art Unit: 1744

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ORTHODONTIC BANDS

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION Dated: August 18, 2006

To: Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed August 18, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks of record:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response to Office Action.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this Response to Office Action.